SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 604 By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Haley Anne Hudson, 2003 Valedictorian of Gleason High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Haley Anne Hudson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2003 graduating class at Gleason High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Haley has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to this stellar academic achievement, Haley has been involved in a number of activities throughout her high school career; she has served as Secretary of the Beta Club and the G-Club, Secretary/Treasurer of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Treasurer of the Science Club; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, she has been recognized as a Gleason School Citizen of the Month and Miss Tatertown Royalty; won the Delta Kappa Gamma Essay contest; was a Delegate to Volunteer Girls State; and was voted "Most Athletic", "Most Fun to Be With", and "Most Catching Smile" by her peers; and

WHEREAS, Haley has displayed her remarkable athletic talents as a member of the Basketball team, for which she earned the U.S. Army Reserve's Scholar-Athlete Award, the TSSAA Student Athlete of Merit Award, a nomination for the Wendy's Heisman Award, and a spot on the All-District and All-Region Basketball teams; and

WHEREAS, she evinces her great faith as a member of the Gleason First United Methodist Church, which she serves as a nursery attendant and a volunteer Sunday School teacher; and

WHEREAS, Haley's noteworthy accomplishments are a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Larry and Kay Hudson, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; through the auspices of several scholarships, she plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin, where she will focus her studies on a pre-optometry course of study; and

WHEREAS, Haley Hudson's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2003 Gleason High School Valedictorian, Haley Anne Hudson, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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